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Festival for sporty vehicles

## tuningXperience shows rare scene treasures

Datsun GX 1200, Jaguar XJS and Rolls Royce Silver Spur delight fans

The tuningXperience is the heart of the Essen Motor Show from December 2 to 10 (Preview Day: December 1). This is where Europe's scene proves its abilities and skills year after year. Around 150 vehicles from eleven countries will transform Hall 5 of Messe Essen into a colorful stage of the most diverse facets and styles. This year, fans can expect to see more rare models than ever before. They include rare treasures such as the Datsun GX 1200, Honda Acty, Jaguar XJS, Lotus Esprit Turbo and Rolls Royce Silver Spur.

"The variety and diversity are certainly the greatest features of the tuning scene. It starts with the choice of base model, which is almost limitless. Add to that the different tuning styles - whether race style, OEM style or classic look - and there are no limits to creativity. Every car is different - just like its owner," explains Sven Schulz, organizer of tuningXperience.

## Classic vehicles on the rise

What do the Jaguar XJ40, Opel Kadett and VW Golf 1 GTI have in common? They are all more than 30 years old and are therefore considered classic cars. They also shine in the spotlight at this year's tuningXperience alongside other classic models such as the Audi S2 Avant, BMW E28 and Porsche 944. "Older vehicles exude a special charm, especially in the modern street scene. They stand out from the current vehicle shapes, and their clear edges and timeless look often make for astonished looks. Of course, this also makes them interesting for tuners, especially as no readout devices or computers are required for the conversion," says Schulz, explaining the fascination that older vehicles also exude in the tuning scene.



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But lovers of newer vehicles will of course also get their money's worth at tuningXperience. The line-up includes numerous current and in some cases brand-new models with intelligent and networked technology. The Audi RS3 Sedan, BMW M3 Competition, Chevrolet Corvette and Toyota Supra MK5, for example, will be at the start. Then there are the particularly sporty models, which are very exclusive and already equipped with considerable power from the factory. Of course, this doesn't stop real tuners from getting the most out of vehicles such as the Audi R8 V10 Performance Spyder, Ferrari F430 and Porsche 991.2 GT3 RS.

### **Women conquer the tuning scene**

Admittedly, women are not entirely new to the tuning scene. For several years now, they have been showing that tuning is not a question of gender and are responsible for some of the most extraordinary and beautiful models that Europe's scene has to offer. This is also demonstrated by several of the vehicles in this year's tuningXperience, such as the Audi RS6 Avant (4G), BMW E46 Cabrio, Cupra Born, Nissan 300ZX, VW Golf 6 GTI and a 1966 VW Beetle.

After the successful premiere of tuned two-wheelers at last year's tuningXperience, this year's event continues with extraordinary bikes that will put a smile on visitors' faces. Anyone who would prefer to ride a chopper towards the desert horizon can look forward to a Harley-Davidson Heritage in lowrider style called "La Diosa" and a Krause Duo 4/1, which is called "Luftikus" due to its special conversions. The line-up also includes several tuned models from the German manufacturer Simson, such as the Schwalbe KR51/2, Star SR4/2 and S51.

### **Tickets are available in the online store**

The tuningXperience is one of many highlights at this year's Essen Motor Show. A total of around 500 exhibitors will be presenting their products and trade fair innovations at Messe Essen. Tickets are available at [www.essen-motorshow.de](http://www.essen-motorshow.de), a day ticket costs 20 euros.